



2001 Turkey Stamp design by Robert Leum

Fall 2001 Season Dates:

The fall turkey season is a 30-day season running from **Oct. 13–Nov. 11** for all permit holders. This straight season permits greater flexibility for hunters.

What's New for 2001:

- All hunters, including turkey hunters, in Deer Management Units 1, 1M, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 13, 14, 18, 19, 20, 23, 23A, 25, 26, 29A, 30, 31, 32, 33, 36, 37, 38, 41, 42, 43, 46, 47, 51A, 51B, 52, 52A, 54A, 54B, 54C, 57, 57A, 57B, 57D, 58, 59A, 59B, 59D, 59M, 60M, 61, 61A, 62B, 63A, 63B, 64M, 65A, 65B, 66, 67A, 67B, 68A, 70, 70A, 70B, 70C, 70D, 70E, 70F, 70G, 72, 72A, 73E, 75C, 76, 76M, 80A, 80B, 80C and 81, are required to wear at least 50% blaze orange during the antlerless only deer season Oct. 25–28.

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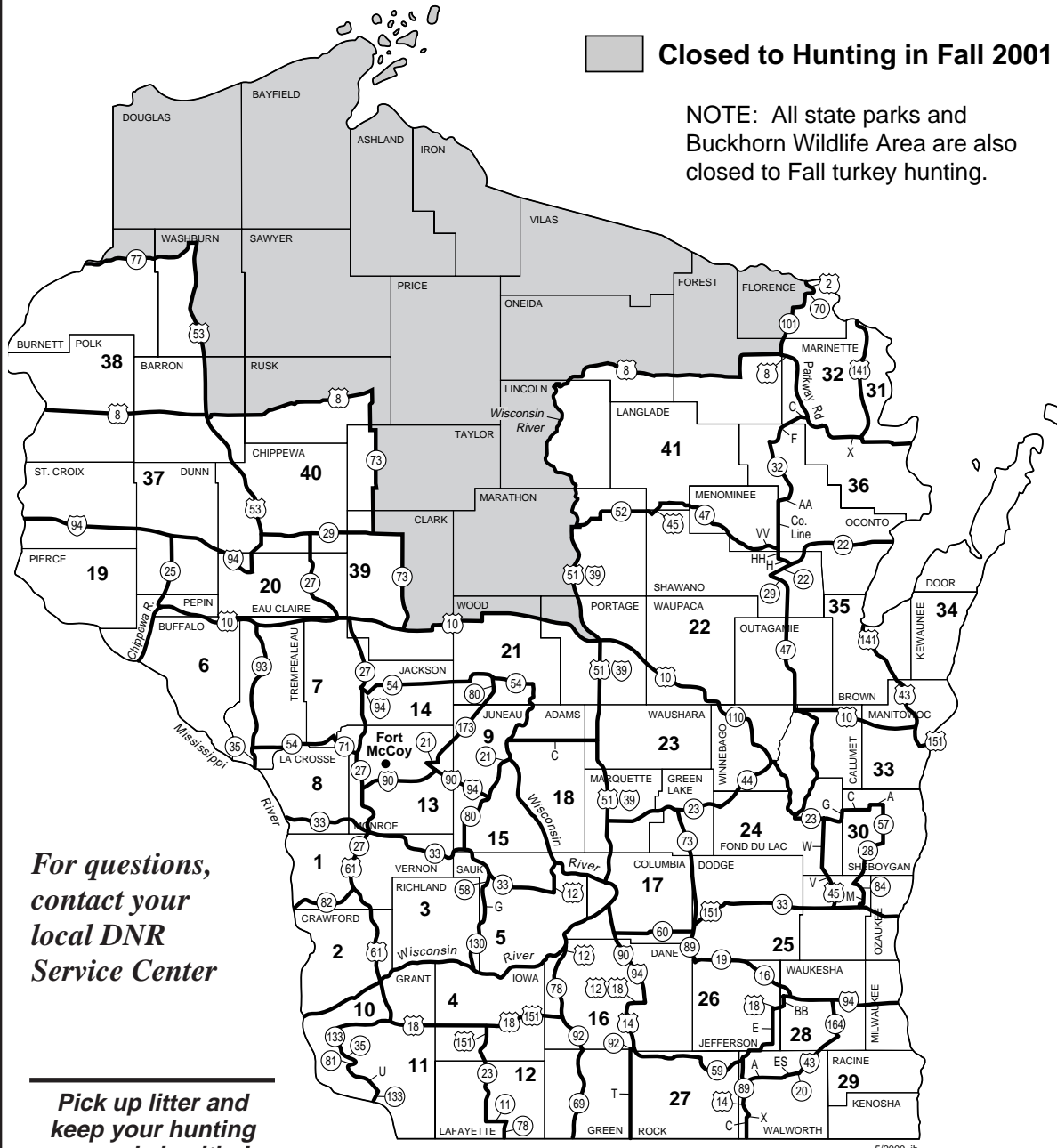


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 Closed to Hunting in Fall 2001

NOTE: All state parks and Buckhorn Wildlife Area are also closed to Fall turkey hunting.



***For questions,
contact your
local DNR
Service Center***

***Pick up litter and
keep your hunting
grounds healthy!***

Visit the DNR website at www.dnr.state.wi.us

Focus on Safety

Here are a few tips to help ensure that your hunt is a safe one:

- ❖ Be certain what you see or hear is a turkey—not a decoy or person.
- ❖ Do not wear red, blue or white—the color of a gobbler's head.
- ❖ Consider wearing blaze orange when moving from place to place.
- ❖ When another hunter approaches, never wave, stand or sound a turkey call; use your voice or whistle instead.
- ❖ Avoid stalking turkeys. Use decoys with caution.
- ❖ Select calling or ambush sites with your back to a tree at least as wide as your shoulders and where you can see at least 40 yards in all directions.
- ❖ Never assume you are the only hunter in the woods.
- ❖ Be certain no one is positioned beyond the turkey you are shooting at.
- ❖ Use a flashlight in the dark.

Reduce Crippling Losses

- ❖ Pattern your gun to know at what distances you have an effective pattern (at least 6 pellets in skull and neck vertebrae).
- ❖ Avoid shooting beyond 35 yards.
- ❖ Aim for the base of the featherless portion of the neck—not at the head.
- ❖ Never shoot at a flying turkey.
- ❖ Be prepared for a second shot if necessary.

Turkey Hunter Code of Ethics

As a responsible turkey hunter, I will:

- ❖ not let peer pressure or the excitement of the hunt cloud my judgement;
- ❖ hunt the wild turkey fairly;
- ❖ know the capabilities and limitations of my gun or bow, and use it safely;
- ❖ obey and support all wildlife laws, and report all violations;
- ❖ avoid knowingly interfering with another hunter, and will respect the right of others to lawfully share the out-of-doors;
- ❖ value turkey hunting experiences, and appreciate the beauty of the wild turkey;
- ❖ positively identify my target as a legal bird, and insist on a good shot;
- ❖ share responsible turkey hunting with others, and work for wild turkey conservation.

Ask First and Say Thanks!

- ❖ The majority of land within Wisconsin’s turkey management zones is privately owned. Wisconsin landowners appreciate those people who ask permission to hunt and say thanks afterward. This builds important land-owner-hunter trust. Remember, entering private lands without permission is unlawful and creates a negative image for all hunters.
- ❖ All hunters are encouraged to scout their hunting territory well in advance of the season. Pre-season scouting correlates strongly with success in bagging turkeys in Wisconsin.

Hunter Selection System

- ❖ **Deadlines:** The application deadlines are **August 10** for the Fall, and **December 10** for the Spring hunting seasons. A \$3.00 application fee is required. Conservation Patron License holders are exempt from the \$3.00 fee.
- ❖ **Landowner Preference:** Resident landowners owning 50 or more contiguous acres within an open wild turkey management zone are eligible for first preference in that zone. They may also transfer their first preference status to an immediate family member or resident farm operator (as defined on the application) for that particular zone.
- ❖ **Non-resident landowners** owning 50 or more contiguous acres in Wisconsin, within an open wild turkey management zone, are eligible for preference above non-residents not owning land.
- ❖ **Cumulative Preference** has been implemented for spring and fall resident hunting permits. Spring and fall applications are tracked separately.
- ❖ **Fort McCoy:** Applications for Fort McCoy Fall turkey hunting permits are available starting March 1. Applications can be requested by calling the Permit Sales Office at 608-388-3337 or by writing to: Directorate of Training & Mobilization: AFRC-FM-TMR-B (Permit Sales); 110 E. Headquarters Road; Ft. McCoy WI 54656-5226. *Note: You may not apply for a Fort McCoy Fall turkey permit if you plan to or have already applied for a Fall turkey permit in a State of Wisconsin turkey hunting zone. This policy is different from the one that applies to Spring hunting.*

License Requirements

- ❖ All successful applicants, **EXCEPT** Conservation Patron license and Senior Citizen Recreation Card holders, must purchase a Fall turkey license to hunt turkeys with either a firearm or bow. A turkey stamp is also required
- ❖ Successful applicants are mailed a turkey hunting approval notice, registration stub and carcass tag indicat-

ing the zone for which the hunter is authorized to hunt. **The approval notice MUST be shown to license vendors when purchasing a Fall turkey hunting license.**

Turkey Stamp and Carcass Tag

- Privilege cost: \$5.25 resident and nonresident.*
- ❖ In addition to the license requirement, all turkey hunters, **EXCEPT** Conservation Patron license and Senior Citizen Recreation Card holders, must purchase a 2001 turkey stamp. This stamp is valid for both Spring and Fall turkey hunting seasons during year of purchase. **The stamp privilege you purchase will be printed right on your license. If you pay for a stamp privilege and want to receive the actual stamp, you can get one at a DNR service center for no additional charge.**
 - ❖ A Fall turkey hunting license, turkey stamp privilege, carcass tag, and registration stub must be in the possession of the hunter while hunting turkeys.
 - ❖ It is illegal to transfer a license or carcass tag, or allow their use by anyone else.

Wild Turkey Management Zones

- ❖ You may only hunt in the zone specified on your turkey hunting approval notice and carcass tag. All established turkey zones, except state parks, are shown on the back of this pamphlet. State parks are not open to Fall turkey hunters. Buckhorn State Park *and* Wildlife Management Area are **closed** to Fall turkey hunting.

Assisting Other Hunters

- ❖ No license is required to call turkeys for another hunter if the caller does not possess a firearm or bow.
- ❖ A guide license is required if the hunting assistant charges a fee.
- ❖ You may not shoot or attempt to shoot a turkey for another hunter to tag.

Bag Limit

- ❖ The bag limit is one turkey of any age or sex per hunting approval notice. If you receive 2 tags for the same zone, you may shoot 2 turkeys on the same day in the designated zone(s).

Other Restrictions

- ❖ You may **not** hunt turkeys:
 1. By any means other than a shotgun or muzzle-loading shotgun fired from the shoulder, or a bow and arrow.
 2. With shotshells loaded with shot larger than no. 4 lead, no. 2 steel, or other no. 4 non-steel shot; duplex loads containing any shot larger than no. 4 lead or no. 2 steel are also **NOT** legal.

3. With the aid of recorded bird calls or sounds, or electrically amplified imitations of bird calls or sounds.
4. With the aid of dogs.
5. With live decoys for the purposes of enticing turkeys.
6. With the aid of bait.

Note: *Hunting areas are considered illegally baited for 10 days following the complete removal of all bait material.*

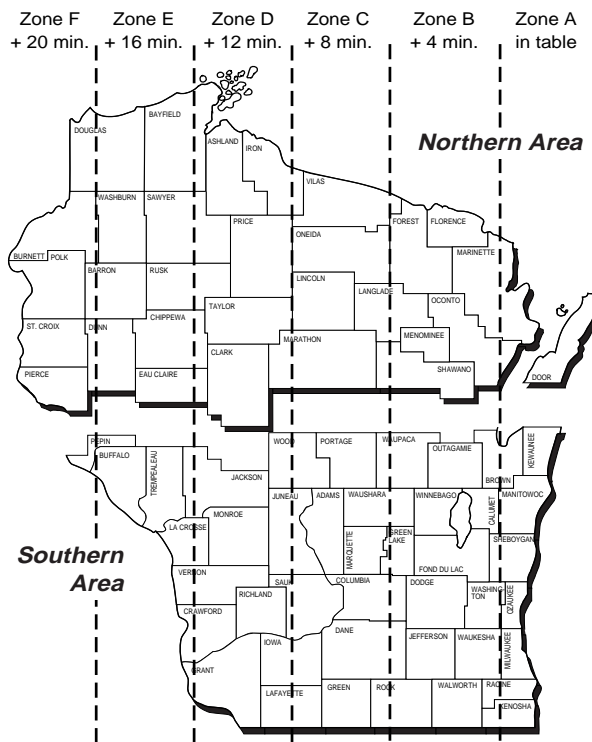
Tagging, Transport and Possession

- ❖ Upon killing a turkey, immediately validate the carcass tag by cutting the slit corresponding to the day of kill; then attach and seal the tag to the featherless part of the turkey’s leg.
- ❖ You may not carry by hand, possess or transport a turkey unless you have lawfully killed and tagged the turkey.

Registration

- ❖ Bring your tagged turkey, license and registration stub (attached to the hunter approval notice) to any registration station **no later than 5:00** P.M. on the day after it is killed. An additional registration tag will be attached to lawfully taken turkeys; you **MUST** keep this tag with the meat until it has been eaten.


Hunting Time Zones



Hunting Hours

- ❖ Fall turkey hunting hours are from ½ hour before sunrise to 20 minutes after sunset each day. Wisconsin’s hunting time zones are on the map to the left.
- ❖ To determine the opening (A.M.) time for all zones except “A”, add the minutes shown (see map) to the Zone A time listed in either the Northern or Southern Area Hunting Table.

Northern Area Hunting Hours	Southern Area Hunting Hours
Oct. 13, 6:34 A.M.–6:28 P.M.	Oct. 13, 6:33 A.M.–6:31 P.M.
Oct. 14, 6:35 A.M.–6:26 P.M.	Oct. 14, 6:34 A.M.–6:29 P.M.
Oct. 15, 6:37 A.M.–6:24 P.M.	Oct. 15, 6:35 A.M.–6:27 P.M.
Oct. 16, 6:38 A.M.–6:22 P.M.	Oct. 16, 6:37 A.M.–6:26 P.M.
Oct. 17, 6:40 A.M.–6:21 P.M.	Oct. 17, 6:38 A.M.–6:24 P.M.
Oct. 18, 6:41 A.M.–6:19 P.M.	Oct. 18, 6:39 A.M.–6:22 P.M.
Oct. 19, 6:42 A.M.–6:17 P.M.	Oct. 19, 6:40 A.M.–6:21 P.M.
Oct. 20, 6:44 A.M.–6:15 P.M.	Oct. 20, 6:42 A.M.–6:19 P.M.
Oct. 21, 6:45 A.M.–6:14 P.M.	Oct. 21, 6:43 A.M.–6:17 P.M.
Oct. 22, 6:46 A.M.–6:12 P.M.	Oct. 22, 6:44 A.M.–6:16 P.M.
Oct. 23, 6:48 A.M.–6:10 P.M.	Oct. 23, 6:45 A.M.–6:14 P.M.
Oct. 24, 6:49 A.M.–6:09 P.M.	Oct. 24, 6:47 A.M.–6:13 P.M.
Oct. 25, 6:50 A.M.–6:07 P.M.	Oct. 25, 6:48 A.M.–6:11 P.M.
Oct. 26, 6:52 A.M.–6:06 P.M.	Oct. 26, 6:49 A.M.–6:10 P.M.
Oct. 27, 6:53 A.M.–6:04 P.M.	Oct. 27, 6:51 A.M.–6:08 P.M.
Oct. 28, 5:55 A.M.–5:03 P.M.	Oct. 28, 5:52 A.M.–5:07 P.M.
Oct. 29, 5:56 A.M.–5:01 P.M.	Oct. 29, 5:53 A.M.–5:06 P.M.
Oct. 30, 5:57 A.M.–5:00 P.M.	Oct. 30, 5:54 A.M.–5:04 P.M.
Oct. 31, 5:59 A.M.–4:58 P.M.	Oct. 31, 5:56 A.M.–5:03 P.M.
Nov. 1, 6:00 A.M.–4:57 P.M.	Nov. 1, 5:57 A.M.–5:01 P.M.
Nov. 2, 6:02 A.M.–4:55 P.M.	Nov. 2, 5:58 A.M.–5:00 P.M.
Nov. 3, 6:03 A.M.–4:54 P.M.	Nov. 3, 6:00 A.M.–4:59 P.M.
Nov. 4, 6:04 A.M.–4:52 P.M.	Nov. 4, 6:01 A.M.–4:57 P.M.
Nov. 5, 6:06 A.M.–4:51 P.M.	Nov. 5, 6:02 A.M.–4:56 P.M.
Nov. 6, 6:07 A.M.–4:50 P.M.	Nov. 6, 6:04 A.M.–4:55 P.M.
Nov. 7, 6:09 A.M.–4:48 P.M.	Nov. 7, 6:05 A.M.–4:54 P.M.
Nov. 8, 6:10 A.M.–4:47 P.M.	Nov. 8, 6:06 A.M.–4:53 P.M.
Nov. 9, 6:12 A.M.–4:46 P.M.	Nov. 9, 6:08 A.M.–4:51 P.M.
Nov. 10, 6:13 A.M.–4:45 P.M.	Nov. 10, 6:09 A.M.–4:50 P.M.
Nov. 11, 6:14 A.M.–4:44 P.M.	Nov. 11, 6:10 A.M.–4:49 P.M.



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